

Lecture III

TESTING NEUTRINO PHYSICS AT LHC AND OTHER EXPERIMENTS

LHC Physics from the Neutrinos

☞ While high scale seesaw is most appealing, it is hard to test it directly by experiments !!

☞ Alternative lower seesaw scale is quite conceivable and have been considered and have direct LHC signatures!!

- TeV scale seesaw and left-right symmetry;

☞ They lead to physics motivated by neutrinos that can be seen at LHC ?

Three kinds of neutrino related LHC signals

- Possibility of Low Seesaw scale- TeV scale W_R , Z' , new Higgs etc.
- Sub-TeV scale doubly charged Higgs bosons in intermediate seesaw models
- Sparticle spectrum shift in high scale seesaw models.

Low Scale Parity Restoration and Left-right models

☞ Details

➤ Gauge group $SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_{B-L}$

➤ Matter: $SU(2)_L$ Doublets: $Q_L \equiv \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix}; \psi_L \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ e_L \end{pmatrix};$

$SU(2)_R$ doublets: $Q_R \equiv \begin{pmatrix} u_R \\ d_R \end{pmatrix}; \psi_R \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \nu_R \\ e_R \end{pmatrix}$

Higgs: $\phi(2, 2, 0) \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^0 & \phi_2^+ \\ \phi_1^- & \phi_2^0 \end{pmatrix};$

$\Delta_R(1, 3, +2) \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \Delta^+/\sqrt{2} & \Delta^{++} \\ \Delta^0 & -\Delta^+/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$

➤ $\mathcal{L}_Y = h_u \bar{Q}_L \phi Q_R + h_d \bar{Q}_L \tilde{\phi} Q_R + h_e \bar{\psi}_L \tilde{\phi} \psi_R + h.c.$
 $+ f(\psi_R \psi_R \Delta_R + L \leftrightarrow R)$

Fermion masses

☞ Masses arise from symmetry breaking

➤ $\langle \phi^0 \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \kappa & 0 \\ 0 & \kappa' \end{pmatrix}$ and $\langle \Delta_R^0 \rangle = v_R$

➤ $\langle \phi \rangle$ gives masses to quarks and charged leptons only

➤ $m_\nu \neq 0$ arises from the seesaw matrix (coming up).

Limits on W_R mass

☞ No limit from beta and muon decays if ν_R is heavy and Majorana !!

Why ? New process mediated by W_R is :

$n \rightarrow p + e + \nu_R$; but nu_R is heavy - so this does not occur.

Indirect effects:

Limit comes from $K_L - K_S$ mass difference, ϵ_K and d_n , all of which get new contributions from W_R sector; these limits are based on assumptions and can be avoided ! :

Bottom-line: One should search actively for TeV scale W_R and Z' in both LHC and possible ILC.

Collider signature of W_R production with Majorana right handed neutrino

☞ $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow W_R \rightarrow lN} \sim \text{pb at } M_{W_R} \sim 800 \text{ GeV};$

Distinguishing signal- $pp \rightarrow jj\mu^-\mu^- + X$ from RH Majorana neutrino decay.

Present collider limits from D0 and CDF

collaborations: $M_{W_R} \geq 720 \text{ GeV}$ for the two jet two lepton mode.

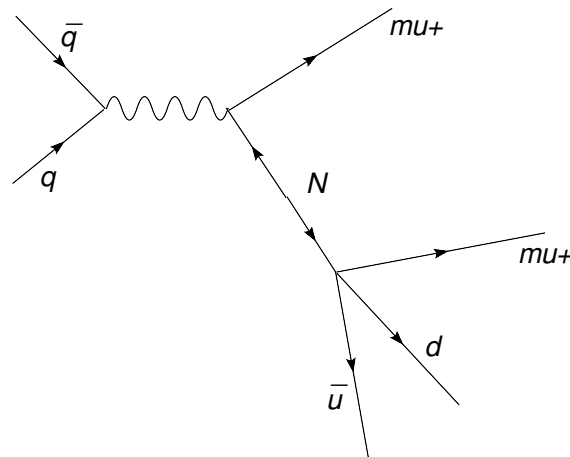
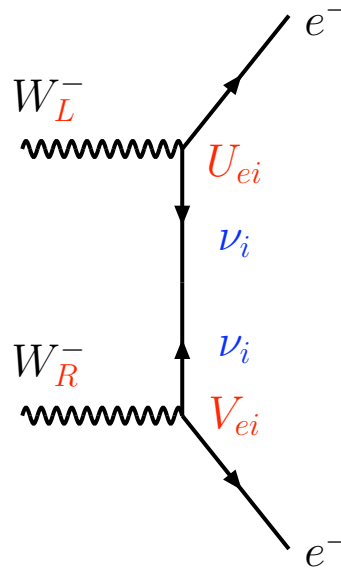


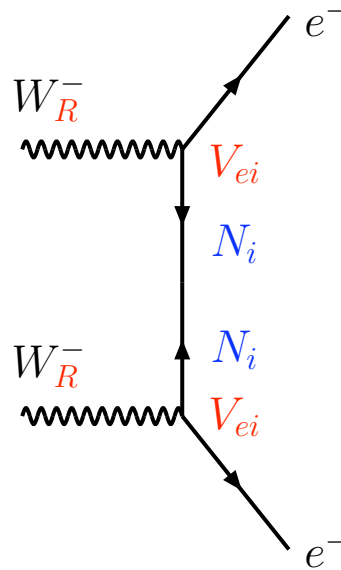
Figure 17: like sign dileptons with two jets and no missing energy is a signature of W_R production

New contribution to neutrinoless double beta decay



👉 **Bound on M_R :** $M_{W_R} \geq 1.3 \text{ TeV} \left(\frac{M_N}{1 \text{ TeV}} \right)^{-1/4}$

👉 **Usual nuclear matrix element uncertainty makes this bound reliable only within a factor of ~ 2 or so.**



LFV in TeV scale seesaw models

☞ One loop diagram mediated by W_R and M_R :

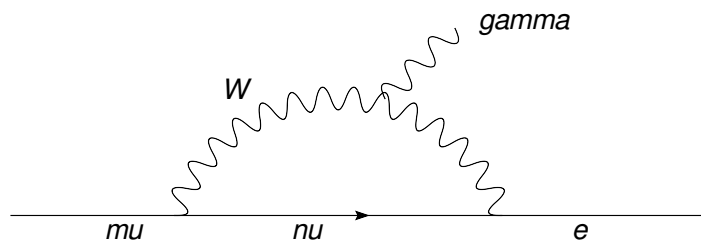


Figure 18: $\mu \rightarrow e + \gamma$ in non-SUSY nu-SM with low scale M_R

$$A(\mu \rightarrow e + \gamma) \simeq \frac{eG_F m_\mu m_e m_{N_R}^2}{\pi^2 m_{W_R}^2} \mu_B$$

Leads to $B(\mu \rightarrow e + \gamma) \sim \alpha \left(\frac{M_{W_L}}{M_{W_R}} \right)^4 \left(\frac{M_N}{M_{W_R}} \right)^4 \sim 10^{-11}$ **for**
 $M_{W_R} \sim 3.2$ **TeV** and $M_N \sim M_{W_R} \sim 1/3$

Low W_R at LHC

☞ $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow W_R \rightarrow N} \sim$ picobarn for $M_{W_R} \sim$ TeV; it goes down as M_{W_R} increases; 10^{-4} pb for 5 TeV mass.

LHC search limit 5-6 TeV; Collot et al; ATLAS study group; few events in a year.

Light doubly charged Higgs Bosons

☞ **A clear difference between SM, MSSM and LR sym. models is the presence of doubly charged Higgs bosons;**

They can be light (~ 100 GeV) if W_R scale is low;

They can also be low if Seesaw scale is 10^{11} GeV but there is supersymmetry.

So one should look for them in colliders !!

☞ **Decay modes:** $\Delta^{++} \rightarrow e^+e^+, \mu^+\mu^+, e^+\mu^+$;

Bounds from OPAL, CDF, DO searches:

$M_{\Delta^{++}} \geq 133, 136, 115$ GeV's for different modes.

☞ **Constraints on couplings**

➤ Leads to $\mu^+e^- \leftrightarrow \mu^-e^+$ oscillation:

PSI expt. has limit $M_{\mu^+e^- \leftrightarrow \mu^-e^+} \leq G_F \times 10^{-3}$
 $\rightarrow \frac{f_{ee}f_{\mu\mu}}{M_{++}^2} \leq 10^{-8}$ GeV.

➤ $(g-2)$ of muon $f_{\mu\mu}^2 \frac{m_\mu^2}{M_{++}^2} \leq 10^{-8}$

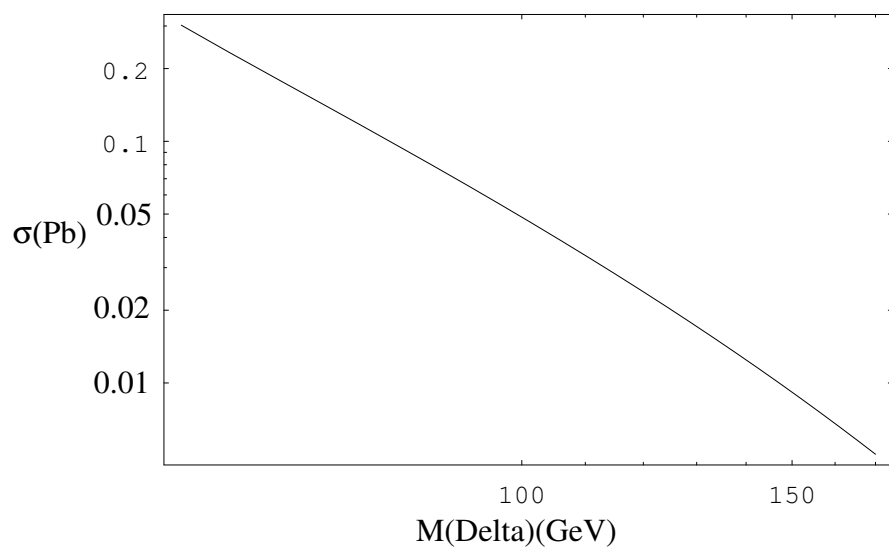


Figure 19: Production cross section of Δ^{++} Higgs bosons in Tevatron.

SUSY \rightarrow doubly charged fermions

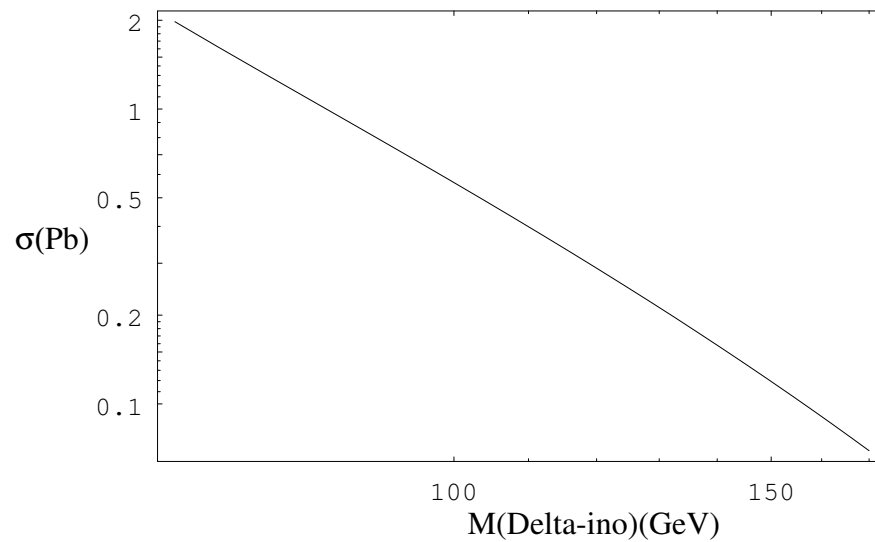


Figure 20: Production cross section for doubly charged Higgsinos at Tevatron.

☞ $\tilde{\Delta}^{++} \rightarrow \mu^+ + \tilde{\mu}^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^+ + \text{missing E.}$

Neutrino mass and neutron-anti-neutron oscillation

☞ Seesaw requires Majorana mass for RH neutrinos
i.e. $\Delta L = 2$.

But the true symmetry is $(B - L)$; so $\Delta L = 2$ implies $\Delta(B - L) = 2$.

For processes involving hadrons, $\Delta(B - L) = 2$ implies $\Delta B = 2$ or $N - \bar{N}$ oscillation..

Two questions are:

- (i) How to search for $N - \bar{N}$ oscillation ?
- (ii) Are there any decent theories where $N - \bar{N}$ oscillation time is measurable ?

Experimental search for $\tau_{N-\bar{N}}$

☞ Phenomenology of $N - \bar{N}$

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{pmatrix} N \\ \bar{N} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} E_n & \delta m \\ \delta m & E_{\bar{n}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} N \\ \bar{N} \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$P_{N \rightarrow \bar{N}} \sim \left(\frac{\delta m}{\Delta E_n} \right)^2 \sin^2 \Delta E_n t$$

☞ Two cases

- Case (i): $\Delta E_n t \ll 1$: $P_{N \rightarrow \bar{N}} \sim (\delta m \cdot t)^2 \equiv \left(\frac{t}{\tau_{N-\bar{N}}} \right)^2$
corresponds to free neutron oscillation;
- Case (i): $\Delta E_n \cdot t \gg 1$: $P_{N \rightarrow \bar{N}} \sim \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\delta m}{\Delta E_n} \right)^2$
corresponds to bound neutrons.

Curious coincidence

☞ **Stability of Nuclei to $\Delta B \neq 0$ should give a limit on $\tau_{N-\bar{N}}$:**

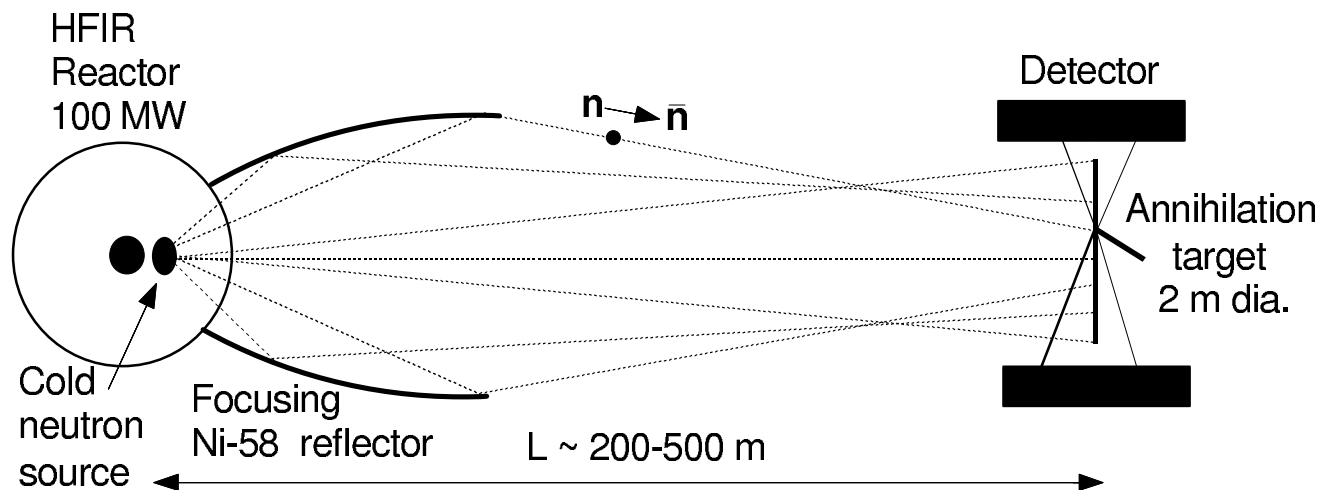
To see what this is, note that for nuclei,
 $E_N - E_{\bar{N}} \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$; so

$$\tau_{Nuc.} \sim \left(\frac{\delta m}{2\Delta E_n} \right)^{-2} 10^{-23} \text{ sec. This should be } \geq 10^{32} \text{ yrs.}$$

$\rightarrow \delta m \leq 10^{-29} \text{ MeV or } \tau_{N-\bar{N}} \geq 10^8 \text{ sec.}$

We will see that present reactor neutron fluxes are precisely in the right range to probe these values of $\tau_{N-\bar{N}}$.

Reactor Search Expt. set-up: ILL (1994)



👉 **Key Formula for doing an expt.**

$$\# \text{ of events} = N \left(\frac{t}{\tau_{N-\bar{N}}} \right)^2 \times T \sim 1$$

where N = reactor flux; $v_N t$ = distance to detector;
 T running time.

Feasibility of further improvement

☞ Maximum available reactor fluxes (100 MW reactor) $\sim 10^{13} - 10^{14}$ N/cm² sec.; for $t = 0.1$ sec. and $T \sim 3$ years can yield a limit of 10^{10} sec.

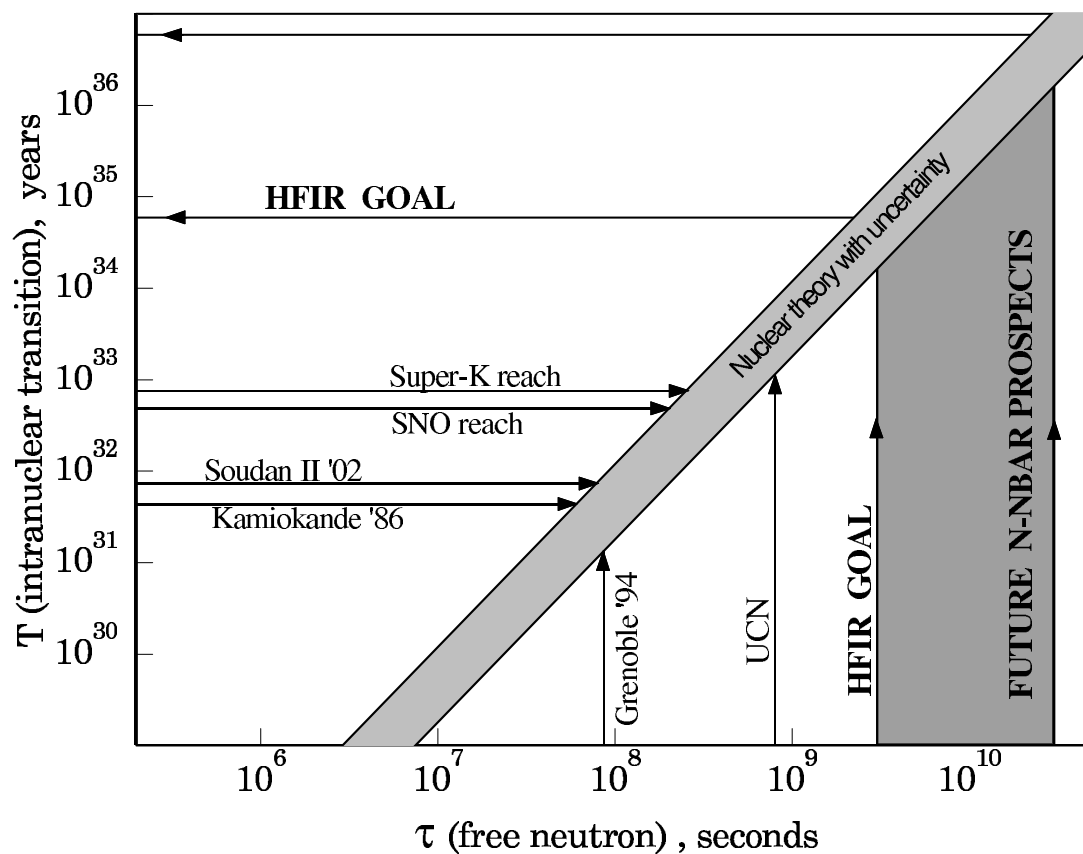
Need to ensure that there is a magnetic shielding to the level of 10^{-5} Gauss which is achieved by μ -metal shielding.

Present limit from **ILL, 1994- Baldoceolin et al.:**

$$\tau_{N-\bar{N}} \geq 8.6 \times 10^7 \text{ sec.}$$

New search effort and proposal by **Y. Kamyshev, M. Snow, A. Young et al.**, hep-ex/0211006 but no concrete site yet.

Comparison of free-neutron and bound-neutron methods



Expectations for $\tau_{N-\bar{N}}$ in SUSY seesaw models

👉 Operator analysis

No Supersymmetry and SM field content:

Effective operator: $\mathcal{O}_{\Delta B=2} = \frac{u^c d^c d^c u^c d^c d^c}{M^5}$;

$$\delta m_{N\bar{N}} \sim \mathcal{O} \Lambda_{QCD}^6$$

and

$$\delta m_{N-\bar{N}} = \frac{1}{\tau_{N\bar{N}}} \text{ (h-bar=1)};$$

Present limit of $\tau_{N\bar{N}} \geq 10^8 \text{ sec} \rightarrow$
 $M \sim 10^{5.5} \text{ TeV}.$

Does it mean that $N - \bar{N}$ can only probe 100 TeV range scales ?

Yes, if there is no supersymmetry; but things change drastically, if there is SUSY

SUSY and effective operator for $N - \bar{N}$

☞ Supersymmetry introduces a new $\Delta B = 2$ operator that has lower dimension ($u^c d^c \tilde{d}^c \tilde{u}^c \tilde{d}^c \tilde{d}^c / M^3$) than the nonsusy case.

If the TeV scale theory has a scalar field of type $\Delta_{u^c u^c}$, then the effective operator is: $\Delta_{u^c u^c} d^c d^c \tilde{d}^c \tilde{d}^c / M^2$.

The combination of these two effects reduce the dependence on M_{seesaw} making $N - \bar{N}$ observable even for high seesaw scale $\sim 10^{11}$ GeV.

Seesaw, $N - \bar{N}$ connection

☞ Neutrino mass is pure L-violation whereas $N - \bar{N}$ is baryon violating; how could they be related in an actual theory ?

The connection is there once quarks and leptons are unified e.g. in a model with Pati-Salam $SU(4)_c$ or if there are interactions that connect quarks to leptons (unlike in the standard model).

●: $SU(4)_c$ example:

$$F_{L,R} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \textcolor{red}{u} & \textcolor{green}{u} & \textcolor{blue}{u} & \nu \\ \textcolor{red}{d} & \textcolor{green}{d} & \textcolor{blue}{d} & e \end{pmatrix}_{L,R}.$$

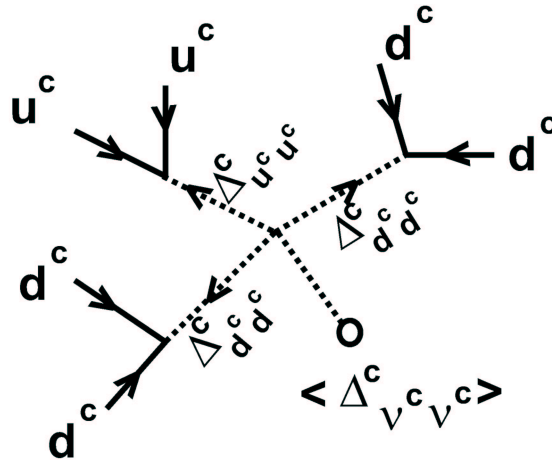
Recall seesaw mass arises from a B-L=2 multiplet which has quantum number of type Δ_{ll} .

$$\Delta_R(1, 3, +2) \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \Delta^+/\sqrt{2} & \Delta^{++} \\ \Delta^0 & -\Delta^+/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

In a quark-lepton unified theory, this has companions of type- Δ_{ql} and Δ_{qq} ;

The Feynman diagram responsible for $N - \bar{N}$ oscillation next page:

Diagram for $N - \bar{N}$ oscillation in $SU(4)_c$ models



- yields $\tau_{N-\bar{N}} \propto M_{\Delta_{qq}}^5$; **For $M_{\Delta_{qq}} = 100$ TeV,**
 $\tau_{N-\bar{N}} \sim 10^7 - 10^8$ **sec. which is measurable**

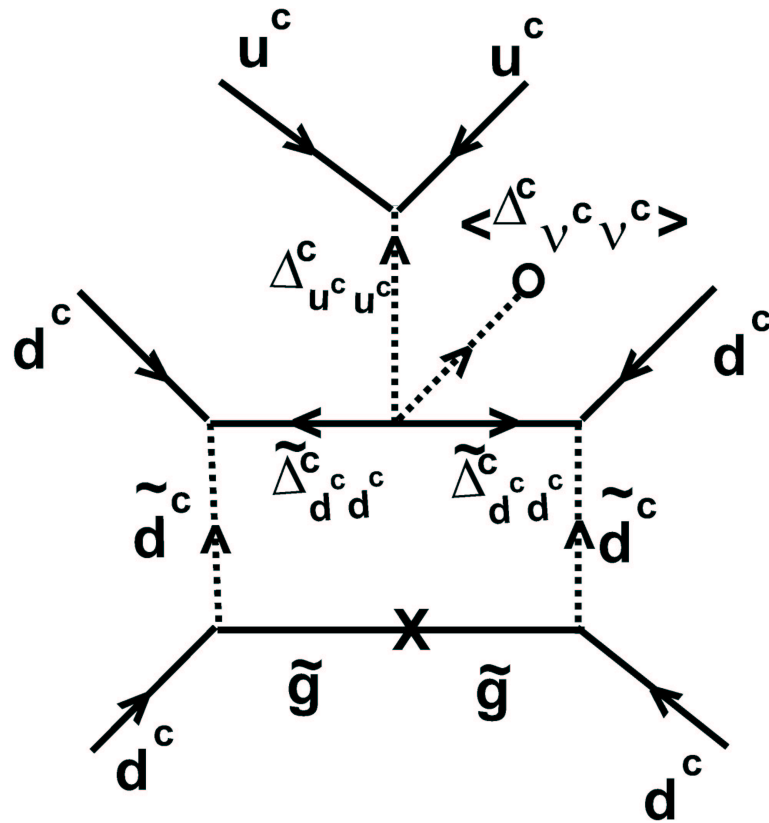
Since $M_{\Delta_{qq}} \sim M_{seesaw}$, in a non-supersymmetric theories, $N - \bar{N}$ is observable in the low scale (~ 100 TeV) models.

Supersymmetric enhancement of $N - \bar{N}$

☞ In SUSY $SU(4)_c$ models, some diquarks $\Delta_{u^c u^c}$ become 100 GeV scale even with high seesaw scale due to large accidental symmetries;
 e.g. suppose there is a B-L=2 triplet under SU(2).
 $W = S(\Delta\bar{\Delta} - M^2)$
 has a global symmetry $SU(3, c)$; when SU(2) breaks down, more Goldstone bosons appear !! This effect gets magnified when there is $SU(4)_c$.

SUSY diagrams for $N - \bar{N}$

☞ New diagrams for $N - \bar{N}$ appear and **weaken the power dependence on the seesaw scale to M^{-2} from M^{-5} .**



☞ $G_{N-\bar{N}} \simeq \frac{f_{11}^3}{\lambda^2 M_{seesaw}^2 v_{wk}^3}$
 $M_{seesaw} \sim 10^{11}$ **GeV**, typical $f, \lambda, \tau_{N-\bar{N}} \sim 10^{10}$ **sec.**

diquarks are observable at LHC.

☞ $\Delta_{ucuc}^* \rightarrow tt$ is the interesting mode since t quarks are “easier” to observe at LHC.

Signature: $\Delta_{ucuc}^* \rightarrow tt, tc, \dots$

$$tt \rightarrow jj\ell + \text{missing}E$$

References for $N - \bar{N}$ oscillation

Nonsusy $SU(4)_c$ model: Marshak, RNM, PRL, 44 1316 (1980)

SUSY $SU(4)_c$:
(Chacko, RNM, 1999); Dutta, Mimura and RNM, (2005)

Babu, Nasri and RNM, PRL (2007).

Conclusions

☞ Many interesting hints of new physics in neutrino data

Detailed nature of this new physics is still work in progress, although some things are becoming clear:

- Almost sure: Seesaw mechanism and right handed neutrinos!;
- Seesaw scale still not completely clear-although the case for $SO(10)$ like theory quite compelling
- Also strong hints of possible family symmetries e.g. $\mu - \tau$ exchange or S_3 symmetry to explain tri-bi-maximal mixing in data.
- Not clear whether it is symmetries or a dynamical mechanism doing large neutrino mixings (as in $SO(10)$ models) !! Far deviations from maximality will point to a dynamical mechanism.
- searching for CP violation in the leptonic sector will clarify our understanding of one of the fundamental mysteries of cosmology i.e. origin of matter;
- we must be alert to any sterile neutrino effects.

Future is bright

☞ **New Era of Precision Neutrino Measurement Science –PNMS era–** about to be launched will determine neutrinos' Majorana nature, θ_{13} , mass ordering and create a new road-map for flavor physics beyond the standard model.

Extra stuff

☞ Limit on W_R mass

Beall, Bender, Soni (82);

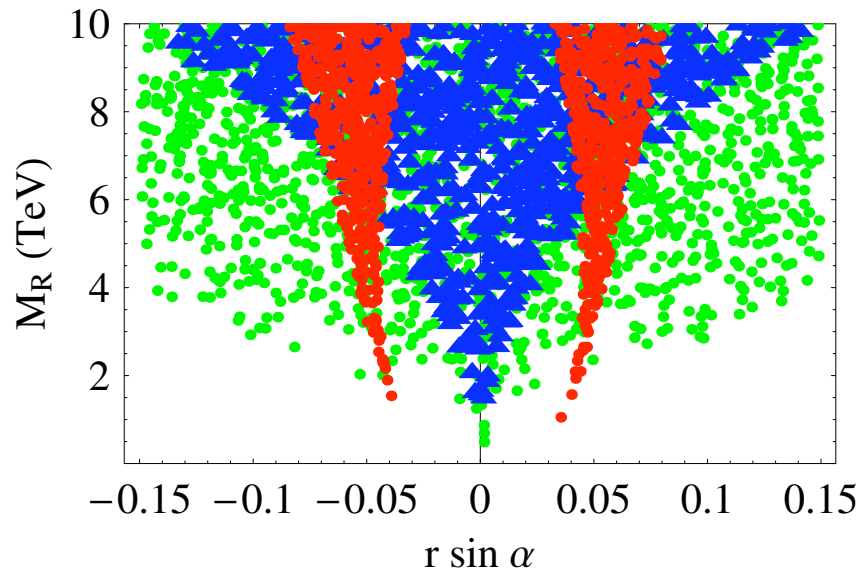


Figure 21: **Lower limit on W_R in the minimal non-supersymmetric LR model.** Red points from ϵ_K and Green and Blue points from d_n for different values of $W_L - W_R$ mixing. From a recent analysis by Zhang, An, Ji, RNM (2007)

☞ which gives a lower limit of 2.5 TeV in the minimal LR models with no supersymmetry.

Include SUSY or expand the Higgs sector, the limit goes Sub-TeV.